

## Message Text

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O R 181312Z JAN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 737  
INFO AMCONSUL ALEXANDRIA  
AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASY BEIRUT  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI  
USMISSION SINAI  
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: PINT, EG  
SUBJ: DEMONSTRATIONS IN ALEXANDRIA AND CAIRO

REF: (A) ALEXANDRIA 55, (B) CAIRO 973

1. SMALL GROUP OF PROTESTERS GATHERED IN FRONT OF PEOPLES  
ASSEMBLY IN CAIRO THIS MORNING COMPLAINING AGAINST COMMODITY  
PRICE RISED WHICH HAD JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED IN  
MORNING PAPERS (REF B). DEMONSTRATORS DEPARTED PA BY 1300 LOCAL.  
WE ARE CHECKING ON ALLEGED DISTURBANCES IN GIZA AND ZAMLEK.  
REF A REPORTS THOUSANDS OF DEMONSTRATORS IN ALEXANDRIA. ONLY OTHER  
TROUBLE SPOT SO FAR AS WE KNOW IS HELWAN.  
MENA CHAIRMAN ALLEGED TO EMBOFF THAT HELWAN PROBLEMS, WHILE  
NO DOUBT RELATED TO PRICE RISES, HAVE BEEN GENERATED BY A  
COMPLETELY SEPARATE ISSUE. DURING LAST WEEK, THOSE WORKERS IN  
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HELWAN MUNITION FACTORIES WHO WERE NOT INCORPORATED INTO AOI  
SYSTEM (WHICH WOULD HAVE AFFORDED THEM BETTER PAY AND BONUSES)  
HAVE BEEN DEMANDING FROM GOE THAT THEIR WAGES BE BROUGHT  
INTO LINE WITH AOI SCALE.

2. MENA CHAIRMAN TOLD EMBOFF HE HAD PLEADED  
JAN. 17 WITH PRIMIN TO HANDLE COMMODITY PRICE RISED IN

BETTER PUBLIC RELATIONS FASHION. HE HAD SUGGESTED THAT  
EITHER PRIMIN OR PRESIDENT SHOULD MAKE SPEECH TO  
THE NATION EXPLAINING WHY ECONOMIC CRISES REQUIRED AUSTERITY  
AND SHOULD COUPLE ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRICE RISES WITH FURTHER  
STATEMENT ON GOE'S ACROSS-THE-BOARD PAY INCREASES.  
CHAIRMAN THOUGHT PRIMIN HAS CAUSED UNNECESSARY  
TROUBLE FOR HIMSELF.

3. WE ARE CHECKING OTHER SOURCES AND WILL  
REPORT FURTHER AS SITUATION WARRANTS. FOR MOMENT, CENTRAL  
CAIRO IS COMPLETELY NORMAL.  
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